AIRMAN'S ROLL CALL

Cyber Threat Training

This week, units across the Air Force are taking the time to discuss network security and how failure to secure our cyberspace resources impact our Joint and AF missions. Just as we have Safety Days to reinforce taking care of our wingmen, so too must we understand how to take care of the cyber domain.

Undisciplined use of our networks needlessly exposes critical information to those with malicious intent. Below are a few points to better prepare you to recognize the threat and protect yourself and your mission.

Cyber Threats:
- <u>Social networking sites</u> such as MySpace and Facebook can contain malicious content and where personal information is easily gathered
- <u>Phishing emails</u> are legitimate-looking emails used to gain personal information like financial information (i.e., bank accounts, credit cards) or install malicious software on your computer. This code can steal information and/or give others 'remote control' of your computer and all of its data

How to Protect the Mission and Yourself:
- Don't open email attachments or embedded links from people you do not know. Recognize "spoofed" e-mail: designed to look like it's from people you know but is actually malicious. When in doubt, do not open or click
- NEVER post sensitive information or provide it to strangers; safeguard personal, unit, and mission information at all times
- Don't use flash memory devices (USB thumb drives, MP3 players) on DoD computers and follow strict procedures for moving data from one computer to another. USB thumb drives can contain malicious code and install it on other computers without your knowledge
- Keep your home anti-virus up-to-date

Additional Resources:
Cyber Security Training Brief:
https://wwwd.my.af.mil/afknprod/ASPs/docman/DOCMain.asp?Tab=0&FolderID=AF-OP-00-26-5&Filter=AF-OP-00-26

DoD Home Use Antivirus Download page:
https://www.jtfgno.mil/antivirus/antivirus_homeuse.htm

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